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I. O. O. F.
Troy Lodge No. 681. I. O. O. F. meets every Saturday night at their hall in the Withrow block. Visiting members invited to attend.
J. M. McLELLAN, N. G.
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Troy Lodge No. 34. A. F. & A. M. meets Saturday night on or before each full moon.
WILL H. YOUNG, W. M.
CHAS. MARTIN, JR., Sec'y.

LOCAL AND COUNTY NEWS.

The Christian church at this place has secured the services of Eld. McLean as pastor, who will preach one Sunday of each month.

We acknowledge a call on last Monday from Miss Mary Virginia Norton, the seven-weeks old daughter of H. H. Norton, Esq. She is indebted to her mother for her beauty.

Rev. Stephen Hull (Universalist) will preach in Troy on the evenings of the 12th and 13th of February, and morning and evening of the 14th, four miles west of Troy, at the Howell school house.

Mr. Newell Ackerman has been appointed by Judge Bonfils clerk of the probate court; and Mr. J. M. McLellan has been appointed deputy clerk of the county court by Mr. Woodson which appointment the county court has approved.

Our friend Frank E. Block, of Atlanta, Ga., has our thanks for a check paying his subscription to the *Herald* up to February 9, 1876, and for kindly expressions for our success. He judges from the appearance of our paper that we are doing well. Pretty well, thank you, Frank.

Rev. W. N. Goode, pastor of the M. E. Church South at this place, made us a pleasant call Monday morning. He preaches here the first Sunday of each month, at ten and a half o'clock a. m., and seven p. m. The subject of his discourse on the evening of his next appointment (the first Sunday in February) will be: "The Immortality of the Soul."

Mr. Thompson Cox, one of the largest property holders, farmers and traders of Hurricane township, died at his residence, near New Hope, on the 16th inst., of pneumonia. Although advanced in years, Mr. Cox was one of the most energetic business men of the county, and his loss will be deeply felt in the community where he lived.

On the 12th inst., the house of Thomas Burton, in Clark township, was totally consumed by fire. All his furniture, wheat, corn and \$140 in cash were burned. The house is supposed to have caught fire from the stove-pipe, while Mr. Burton and his son were out at work, who, when they returned for dinner, found their home in ashes. Mr. Hugh Lowry and Mr. Herman Shaffer raised a subscription for them—the former a little over \$50, and the latter between \$10 and \$15. Mr. Lowry desires us to express his thanks to the citizens of Troy for their prompt response to his appeals for an aged and worthy gentleman.

SHALL WE SECURE THE MACHINE SHOPS?

This is a question that is creating considerable feeling among the citizens of Bedford township at this time. The St. Louis, Hannibal and Keokuk railroad company, and the Iowa railway construction company, have submitted a proposition to our people; and the county court has made an order for an election, to take place on Saturday, the 20th day of February next, at which the question will be submitted to a vote of the citizens of Bedford township. A two-thirds majority is needed in order for the proposition to carry. The full text of the proposition may be found on the second page.

Like all questions involving the taxing of property, this one is already meeting with a decided opposition; from some, because they fail to see the advantages to be derived from the building up of such industries in our midst; from others, because of a chronic desire to lessen rather than increase their taxes at whatever cost to public enterprises; and from many because the companies making the proposition have failed to comply with former promises, and a fear that some flaw in the contract may enable them to obtain possession of the township bonds, and then go ahead and finish the road or not at their pleasure, and cheat us of the machine shops.

The first we are constrained to believe stand in their own light. An early completion of the road, which the appropriation asked for the machine shops would secure, cannot fail to be of the greatest advantage, not only to this community, but to the whole county. As soon as the road is completed, and transportation to the large markets secured, immigration, which now passes us by, will begin to flow into the county, thus increasing our population and taxable wealth, and assisting us in meeting the expenses of the county. Besides this, the railroad itself will be taxed, and the average assessed valuation of railroads is about \$8,000 per mile. We will have about forty miles of road in this county, making an assessed valuation on which the company will have to pay state and county taxes of about \$320,000. The railroad will then be helping to pay the debt that was incurred by the county in making the \$300,000 appropriation. The machine shops will be another source of revenue to our county in the way of taxable property, and being located in the township making the appropriation, will be taxed and help to pay the debt thus incurred. The increase in business, population and wealth that the shops and railroad will induce, will be another source of revenue, and in a few years the taxes, on account of this increase, will be reduced instead of augmented.

The other objection, bearing on the soundness of the contract, we are assured by such a lawyer as Mr. McKee, has no plausible ground upon which to rest itself. The proposition plainly says that the road shall be finished by the 1st of October, 1875, and that the principal repair and machine shops shall be located within a certain distance of the station grounds near Troy. The order of the court for the election, published elsewhere, explicitly says that if the road is not finished within a certain time, the bonds issued shall be null and void. The law regulating such appropriations rests the validity of the bonds upon the order of the court, and the proposition of the companies cannot go behind that; but then we understand that their proposition is to be changed so as to conform to the order of the court, and we may be able to publish it with such change next week.

As to the companies getting possession of the bonds before the work is completed by means of a mandamus suit, we have also consulted legal advice on this point, and have been assured that no such proceeding could obtain; that the proposition, which was drawn up by attorneys of this

place, who are as much interested in the interests of the township as any citizens we have, is sound in every respect, and that no advantage can be taken of the township by the companies.

If these opinions are correct, and we have every reason to believe they are, then we have no hesitancy in saying that the appropriation should be made. For the first year, or probably two, the taxes would be somewhat increased, but it would open an avenue for trade that would soon enlarge the taxable wealth and the population of the township, so that these taxes would shortly fall to about the same per cent. as at present, or less. Two additional sources of wealth, and from which a large tax will be collected, will be the road-bed and the machine shops. What the assessed valuation of the shops may reach we have nothing by which to judge; but it cannot be less than fifty thousand dollars. The road-bed will be taxed on about nine miles of the road that come within the boundaries of this township, representing an assessed valuation of not less than seventy-two thousand dollars; the two together making one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars—nearly one-fourth of the present assessed valuation of property in the township. Can any reasonable man fail to see that such an increase would aid largely in paying off the debt, even if the personal tax by an increase of population was not augmented? But when the debt is paid, then these industries will be a continual source of revenue to the county, and help the citizens to bear its expenses.

Can we secure these without making the appropriation? The machine shops we certainly cannot, for we have no large natural advantages to induce the companies to build here; while there are plenty of other places that will pay to get them. The railroad we may possibly get, but it will be several years before it is finished; and under certain contingencies we may lose it altogether. Think over the matter carefully before you cast your vote against the appropriation.

THE COURT ORDERS AN ELECTION.

In the Matter of Bedford Township Subscription to St. Louis, Hannibal & Keokuk Railroad:

And now at this day comes R. H. Norton and presents the petition of S. R. Woolfolk, Wm. Frazier and twenty-eight other citizens of Bedford township, praying the court to order a special election in said township for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not the qualified voters thereof will vote to subscribe the sum of \$55,000 to the capital stock of the Hannibal, St. Louis & Keokuk railroad company, subject to the following express conditions, viz:

That said railroad company shall build and operate said railroad from the St. Louis, Kansas City and Northern railroad to Troy, Missouri, so as to give continuous connection by rail to St. Louis, on or before the first day of October, 1875.

That the principal machine and repair shops of said road shall be located and built within eighty rods of the station grounds at Troy, and that one building of said shops shall be erected on or before said first day of October, 1875.

That a failure on the part of said company to complete said road and shop, as aforesaid, on or before the first day of October, 1875, shall render said subscription, and the bonds issued thereunder, absolutely null and void.

That if said railroad company, or its successors or assigns, shall ever remove said shops from Troy, or if they shall locate and erect machine and general repair shops at any other point than Troy, Missouri, then they will forfeit and pay, as liquidated damages, to said township of Bedford, the sum of \$55,000, together with ten per cent. interest from the date of the delivery of said bonds to said railroad company.

It is therefore ordered by the court that an election be held at the court house in Troy, in Bedford township, on Saturday, February 20th, 1875, to vote for or against the subscription of \$55,000 by said township to the St. Louis, Hannibal & Keokuk railroad company.

Ordered that Lewis C. Wright, Jas. Wells and Jos. B. Howell be and they are hereby appointed judges of the special election in Troy, on Saturday, February 20, 1875.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY GRANGE.

In compliance with previous notice, the County Grange assembled at the Masonic hall in Troy, on the 22d day of January, 1875, Worthy Master P. G. Shelton in the chair. The grange was organized by appointment of A. Downing, overseer, Chas. U. Porter, secretary, H. L. Wells, lecturer, Brother Duncan, regular steward, J. R. Britton, assistant steward, R. H. Young, chaplain, and Brother Alloway, gate-keeper. On motion of Isaac Lynn, the following resolution was brought before the grange:

"That the masters of the various granges of the county bring before their members the propriety of changing the revenue laws in regard to the paying of taxes, that the section may read 1st of July instead of 1st of January."

Alex Mudd offered an amendment to the above resolution, to-wit:

"That the time of payment of taxes be still retained, to be made 1st of January, but after that time 10 per cent. should be charged delinquents."

On motion of Isaac Lynn, an amendment to the amendment was offered, as follows:

"That the time of collecting the revenue extend through five months, commencing on 1st of December. The tax-payer paying in the first month to receive a discount of 10 per cent.; in second month a discount of 5 per cent.; in third month at par; in fourth month 5 per cent. interest to be added; in fifth month 10 per cent. interest to be added."

On motion of Judge Martin, the resolutions and amendments were laid on the table by a vote of 19 to 17.

Dr. Brown offered the following resolution: *Resolved*, That this grange memorialize the legislature to hold only biennial sessions, unless by special call of the governor. Adopted unanimously.

On motion of J. R. Britton:

"That the members of this grange bring the matter before their respective granges to obtain their assent to loan to the amount of \$25 by each subordinate grange, at 8 per cent. interest, to the state executive committee, to create a fund of \$50,000 with which, it is proposed by the state grange, to purchase farming implements to supply grangers of the state at very lowest first cost prices. Adopted.

On motion it was ordered that these proceedings be published in the *Troy Herald*.

On motion grange adjourned.
P. G. SHELTON, W. M. C. C.
C. U. PORTER, Sec'y. pro tem.

THE NEW FIRM.—Attention is called to the advertisement of Messrs. Parker, Weeks & Co., announcing the change in the former firm of Parker, Weeks & Co. Mr. Weeks, the young gentleman who succeeds Mr. Crews, is one whom we are glad to welcome as a citizen and as one of our business men. Affable, gentlemanly, generous and industrious, he is sure to make friends among our people, and we wish him the success he so deservedly merits. The senior of the firm, Col. Parker, will continue to devote his energies and his large business experience to the building up of the trade, and keeping the store stocked with the great variety and excellent quality of goods for which he is so well adapted. The proprietors are busily engaged in refitting up the house and stock, so as to display their goods to the best advantage.

Dr. Birkhead has permanently located in Clarksville, and will visit Troy every two or three months, due notice of which visits will be given through these columns. We are sorry to lose the Doctor, and wish him abundant success in his new home.

Disolution.
The co-partnership heretofore existing under the name and style of Parker, Crews & Co., is this day dissolved by mutual consent. Either partner is authorized to use the name of the firm in liquidation. We have to request of all who are indebted to us, either by note or book account, to come forward and pay up.
PARKER, CREWS & CO.
Troy, Mo., Jan. 20, 1875.

The undersigned have this day formed a co-partnership to continue for five years, under the name of Parker, Weeks & Co., and as successors of the late firm of Parker, Crews & Co. We will use our best endeavors to make the "Dry Goods Headquarters" as popular with the people as was the old house.

C. W. PARKER,
N. B. WEEKS,
Geo. S. HITT,
Troy, Mo., Jan. 20, 1875.

Who Said So?
Benetict Crump's creditors and the court have said that Crump & Wing's affairs must be settled up right away. Those, therefore, owing Crump & Wing are hereby notified that they must pay, and that very soon. Call on the undersigned, or Mr. Hutchinson, at Crump & Wing's old stand.
F. WING, Adm'r.

Notice is hereby given to all persons not to purchase a note against the undersigned held by L. C. Thompson.
N. L. MORELEY.
Jan. 27, 1875. HENRY C. ELLIOTT.

LOST.—A white setter dog, with a steel chain around his neck, marked with the name of J. English. Any one returning the dog to Dr. J. W. Bourland, Troy, Mo., will be liberally rewarded.

BORN.
HAMMOND.—January 20, 1875, to the wife of Gervis Hammond, a daughter.
BISWELL.—Jan. 24, 1875, to the wife of O. F. Biswell, a daughter.

MARRIED.
BYRON—NICHOLS.—January 19, 1875, at the residence of the bride's father in Troy, Mo., by Rev. Mr. Wilkie, Mr. Thos. G. Snyder and Miss Eliza Nichols.
JENKINS—HAMILTON.—Dec. 24, 1874, by Rev. Mr. Burnham, Mr. John W. Jenkins and Miss Elenora Hamilton, all of this county.

DIED.
REYNOLDS.—January 20, 1875, at his residence in Troy, of pneumonia, Mr. John H. Reynolds, in the 40th year of his age.

Dr. W. W. BIRKHEAD,
DENTIST,
TROY, MISSOURI.
Will be found at his office in Troy from the 1st to the 15th of each month. Will be found at his office in Clarksville from the 16th to the 30th.

H. M. NORTON, CHAS. MARTIN, JR.,
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G. T. DUNN,
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Also Notary Public, will practice in the Courts of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit. Special attention given to collecting. [p10v16]

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ATTORNEY AT LAW,
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Will attend to any professional business in the courts of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit; also prosecuting attorney of the county and notary public. [p10v16]

F. T. WILLIAMS,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
WARRENTON, MO.
Also Notary Public and Real Estate Agent, will give special attention to collections, real estate practice, and the investigation of land titles. Office in Clark's building, west room. Satisfaction given or no charge made. [p10v16]